



Buffalo Grove
Park District

The spring season of Adult Soccer will consist of 8 games. Games will be played on Saturday mornings @ 9:00am @ Willow Stream Park (651 Old Checker Rd. BG, IL 60089). Our website (bgparks.org) will have updated schedules of games if rainouts occur during the regularly scheduled season. **The weather hotline for day of game cancellations is 847-850-2192.**

ADULT LEAGUE RULES

BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT 2012 SPRING SOCCER RULES

All soccer rules are based upon FIFA laws and regulations. The exceptions to rules and emphasis of others are listed here. Rules are subject to change.

1 - THE FIELD OF PLAY

All games will be played on Large and/or small-sized fields.*

2 - THE BALL

Size 5

3 - THE NUMBER OF PLAYERS

1. All games will consist of 8 players. This includes 7 field players and 1 goalie (on small sized Fields).* All games will consist of 11 players. This includes 10 field players and 1 goalie (on all large sized fields).

2. THE REFEREE MUST BE NOTIFIED PRIOR TO ANY SUBSTITUTION. Substitutions may be made **1)** by the team in possession of the ball during a throw-in or **2)** by either team during a goal kick. Substitutions may not be made prior to a corner kick by either team. The number of substitutions is unlimited.

3. Substitutes should enter/exit from the field at the mid-line closest to their player's bench area.

4. Playing Down: Teams may play a game with no less than 6 players. However, a team may use a player from the opposing team to fill a position (only if the team borrowing the player has no more than 6 players). No team should ever "forfeit" a game and all players and referees should take whatever steps required to play each game. All "borrowed" players MUST be registered participants.

4 - PLAYERS' EQUIPMENT

1. Jewelry is not permitted.
2. Players with glasses must wear snug-fitting eye-glass straps.
3. Shin guards must be worn at all times.
4. Players must wear soccer cleats or gym shoes (NO BASEBALL or FOOTBALL CLEATS).

5 - REFEREES

Referees have the discretionary power to caution any player or spectator if s/he shows, by word or actions, dissent from any decision given by the referee or any of the aforementioned is guilty of unsportsmanlike conduct. In the case of threatening weather the referee will have full authority in canceling/delaying a game. If a game is cancelled/delayed, players must seek shelter immediately.

6 - DURATION OF THE GAME

1. All games will consist of 2 twenty-five minute halves.
2. The referee will determine reasonable time between periods or halves.

7 - OFFSIDE

The off-side rule will NOT be enforced in this league.

8 - GAME SCORES

Referees will record and report game scores to the Recreation Supervisor.

9 - FOULS AND MISCONDUCT

- * All players should conduct themselves within the laws and rules of the game.
 - * It is prohibited to charge into the goalkeeper anywhere within the penalty area (unless she/he is obstructing an opponent) once s/he gains possession of the ball.
 - * Referees will enforce all rules and Laws as granted him by these Laws and Buffalo Grove Park District rules.
 - * Red and Yellow Cards - Referee decisions are final. If a player receives a red card, s/he must be removed themselves from the game field and serve an additional one game suspension. If a player receives two red cards within one season, s/he will not be able to play in any games for the remainder of the season. In addition, s/he will forfeit any refund.
- If a player should receive a yellow card during the game, that player must sit out for a 2 minute penalty. The team must play down a player for the duration of 2 minute for each yellow card.***

10 – PLAYER IDENTIFICATION

All players must be prepared to show identification at all times. Players without ability to show proof of identification (i.e. driver's license) will not be able to participate in a game. Park district staff and referees have final decision regarding any identification issues.

GAME FIELD LOCATION

Willow Stream Park (651 Old Checker Rd. BG, IL 60089)

BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT ADULT SOCCER PROGRAM CODE OF ETHICS

- I WILL ENCOURAGE GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP BY DEMONSTRATING POSITIVE SUPPORT OF OTHER PLAYERS, PARK DISTRICT STAFF, AND OFFICIALS AT EVERY GAME.
- I WILL DEMAND A DRUG, ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO-FREE SPORTS ENVIRONMENT FROM ALL LEAGUE PARTICIPANTS AT ALL TIMES AND AGREE TO ASSIST BY REFRAINING FROM THEIR USE AT ALL LEAGUE SPORTING EVENTS.
- I WILL TREAT OTHER PLAYERS, PARK DISTRICT STAFF, FANS AND OFFICIALS WITH RESPECT REGARDLESS OF RACE, SEX, CREED OR ABILITY.
- I WILL PROMOTE A SAFE AND HEALTHY SPORTS ENVIRONMENT BY IMMEDIATELY REPORTING HAZARDS TO LEAGUE OFFICIALS AND REMOVING ANY GARBAGE OR MATERIAL LEFT ON GAME/PRACTICE FIELD PREMISES BY MYSELF OR TEAM MEMBERS.

Your cooperation with the code of ethics is greatly appreciated. **Failure to follow the code of ethics can result in penalty issued by the Buffalo Grove Park District, including, but not limited to suspension, expulsion and loss of registration fees.**

We hope that this will help provide a guideline for your success. Good luck and enjoy a fun season with the Buffalo Grove Park District's Adult Soccer League.